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For: NOVEL CRYSTAL OF 7-[2-[(2-AMINOTHIAZOL-4-YL)-2-

HYDROXYIMINOACETAMIDE-3-VINYL-3-CEPHEM-4-CARBOXYLIC ACID

(SYN ISOMER) AND METHOD FOR PREPARATION THEREOF

9 March 2007

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 7 MARCH 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the pending Office Action mailed 7 March 2007, please amend the subject application as follows: